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All the Amendments Were Promptly Defeated.

SENATORS WHO SPOKE IN ADVOCACY

Mr. Teller the Chief Speaker in Opposition.

VOTES IN DETAIL

The Hay-Pauncefote canal treaty was ratified by the Senate vesterday afternoon without a single change in its language by a vote of 72 to 6. The vote was taken a few minutes before 5 o'clock, after a discussion behind closed doors lasting five hours. The debate was confined exclusively to a discussion of the merits of the agreement and the policy of its provisions, and there were no sensational incidents during the entire debate.

The speech of Senator Teller, as outlined in The Star yesterday afternoon, was the principal one in opposition to the treaty. He was followed in rapid succession by twelve or fifteen other senators, who spoke briefly either for or against the motion to ratify. Among the other speakers of the day were Senators Clay, Fairbanks, Mc-Cumber, McLaurin of Mississippi, Culberson, Mallery, Mason, Tillman, Bacon and Bate. Senator Clay was one of the south-ern senators who spoke in advocacy of the treaty. He contended that the treaty should be ratified because it secured the abroga-tion of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. Senator Mason made a strong plea for the treaty, expressing his gratification that American diplomacy had succeeded in securing such a triumph as was this treaty over the original land. inal Hay-Pauncefote agreement. Senator Bacon's speech was made in connection with a motion to amend the treaty. In presenting this amendment he said that he was in favor of a canal, and would vote for the treaty with the Davis amendment. He said he opposed the treaty because he did not believe it would give the United States full control of the canal. He said that Great Britain rejected the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty, but sent us another treaty almost identical with the former treaty as amended, except as regards the Davis amendment. He considered that fact the most important feature of the whole

Amendments Defeated.

There was an exceptionally full Senate when the time arrived for a vote, but the certainty of ratification had become so apparent that there was comparatively little interest in the proceeding. The votes on the amendments succeeded each other quickly.

The first vote taken was on the motion

of Senator Culberson to insert the Davis fortification amendment of the last session, which was defeated 15 to 62, as follows:
Yeas-Bacon, Bate, Berry, Blackburn,
Carmack, Cuiberson, Dubois, Heltfeld, McLaurin (Miss.), Mallory, Money, Simmons,
Taliaferro, Hillman, Vest-15.
Nays-Aldrich, Allison, Bard, Beveridge,

Burnham, Burrows, Burton, Clapp, Clark (Mont.), Clark (Wyo.), Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Deboe, Dietrich, Dillingham, Dolliver, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster (La.), Foster (Wash.), Frye, Gallinger, Gamble, Gibson, Hale, Hansbrough, Harris, Hawley, Hoar, Jones (Ark.), Kean, Kearns, Kittredge, Lodge, McComas, McCumber, McEnery, McLaurin (S. C.), McMillan, Martin, Mason, Millard, Mitchell, Morgan, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Pettus, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Pritchard, Proctor, Quarles, Scott, Simon, Spooner, Stewart, Turner, Warren, Wellington, Wetmore—62.

Those who did not vote and for whom no pairs were appropriated are: Daniel Longer

pairs were announced are: Daniel, Jones (Nev.), Patterson and Quay. Senator Bacon then offered an amend-

ment striking out of the preamble in the reference to the Clayton-Bulwer treaty the words "Without impairing the general prin-cipal of neutralization established in article VIII of that convention;" also the follow-ing words in article II, relating to the purchase of stock "subject to the provisions of the present treaty," also all of article III relating to the neutralization of the canal, also all of article IV declaring against change of territorial sovereignty. All this was embedded in one amendment and dechange of territorial sovereignty. All this was embodied in one amendment and defeated 18 to 60 as follows:
Yeas-Bacon, Bate, Berry, Blackburn,
Carmack, Clark (Mont.), Clay, Culberson,
Dubols, Harris, Heitfeld, McLaurin (Miss.),

Mallory, Money, Simmons, Taliaferro, Teller, Tillman—18,
Nays—Aldrich, Allison, Bard, Beveridge,
Burnham, Burrows, Burton, Clapp, Clark
(Wyo.), Cockrell, Cullom, Deboe, Dietrich,
Dillingham, Dolliver, Fairbanks, Foraker,
Foxter (La), Foxter (Wash), Fra Gal. Foster (La.), Foster (Wash.), Frye, Gallinger, Gamble, Gibson, Hale, Hansbrough, Hawley, Hoar, Jones (Ark.), Kean, Kearns, Kittredge, Lodge, McComas, McCumber, McEnery, McLaurin (S. C.), McMillan, Maronly by us, 35c. lb.

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The vote on the ratification of the treaty was then taken and resulted as follows: Yeas-Aldrich, Allison, Bard, Bate, Berry, Beveridge, Burnham, Burrows, Burton, Carmack, Clapp, Clark (Mont.), Clark (Wyo.), Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Deboe, (Wyo.), Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Deboe, Dietrich, Dillingham, Dolliver, Dubols, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster (La.), Foster (Wash.), Frye, Gallinger, Gamble, Gibson, Hale, Hansbrough, Harrls, Hawley, Heitfeld, Hoar, Jones (Ark.), Kean, Kearns, Kittredge, Lodge, McComas, McCumber, McEnery, McLaurin (Miss.), McLaurin (S. C.), McMillan, Martin, Mason, Millard, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Pettus, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Pritchard, Proctor, Quarles, Scott, Simmons, Simon, Spooner, Stewart, Tallaferro, Turner, Vest, Warren, Wellington, Wetmore, 72. Wetmore, 72.

Nays—Bacon, Blackburn, Curberson, Mallory, Teller, Tiliman, 6. Bailey paired with Depew and Elkins, Rawlins paired with Hanna and Sewell.

ATTORNEY GENERAL CONFIRMED. Favorable Action Taken by the Senate Last Evening.

Just before adjournment last evening the Senate confirmed the nomination of Philander C. Knox to be Attorney General of the United States. The nomination of Mr. Knox was taken up when the Senate first went into executive session a few minutes after 12 o'clock, but the point was made that there first should be action upon the Hay-Pauncefote treaty under the agreement reached last Thursday. The virtue of this plea was conceded and a tentative agreement was made that further consideration of the nomination should be postponed until today. When, however, the Senate had disposed of the treaty the Attorney Gendisposed of the treaty the Attorney General's nomination was again called up. The discussion of it turned upon a motion made by Senator Jones of Arkansas to recommit the nomination to the committee on judiciary, in the meantime publishing the testimony bearing upon the case. Speeches in favor of this proposition were made by Senators Jones and Turner, and in opposition by Senators Hoar and Pettus. It was contended by the two senators last named contended by the two senators last named that the only evidence presented against confirmation had been filed by members of the Anti-Trust League, and was very vague and indefinite. The senators favoring the motion said that if this were true there could be no objection on the part of the could be no objection on the part of the friends of the Attorney General to placing friends of the Attorney General to placing all the facts within reach of the public, and the more time the committee should give to the subject the more thoroughly the public would be convinced of the fairness of its position, when ultimately taken. They dwelt at some length upon the charge made that the Attorney General prior to entering upon the duties of that office had been attorney for the United States Steel Corporation and the armor plate manufacturers.

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In reply to these accusations it was said that it was legitimate for an attorney in private life to represent any interest in his official capacity, and it was argued that his position as counsellor for those interests could not be used legitimately against him in connection with his nomination to a position under the present administration. So long as he had conducted himself with propriety his relationship as an attorney should not be used to his injury as an offi-

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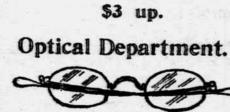
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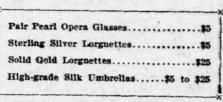
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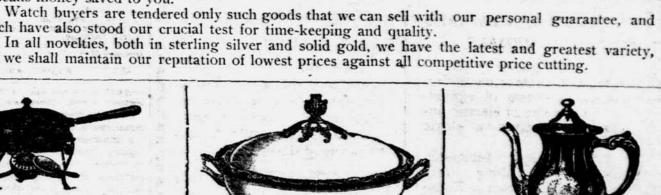






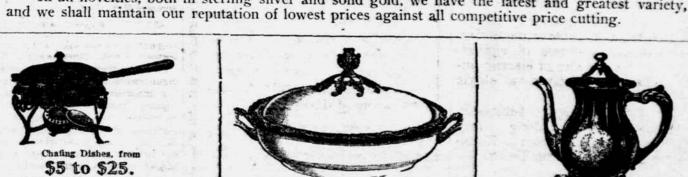






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was lost. The ballot stood 43 to 7.

There was no roll call on the motion to which immediately followed.

PROVIDING FOR THE VETERANS. secretary Root's Bill to Retire Army

Officers With Higher Grade. As indicated in his annual report Secretary Root has renewed his efforts to secure the retirement with an added grade of the army officers who have participated in the three wars, the rebellion, the Indian wars and the Spanish-American war. He has in this the active support of the President. Inquiries have been directed to the Senate to ascertain whether that body would ratify the nominations of a number of the old war colonels who might be advanced to brigadierships through appointment to the two existing vacancles and immediate retirement. If this line of action is approved one of the brigadierships would be kept permanently vacant to serve as an outlet for deserving colonels anxious to retire with an advanced grade.

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In the event that the above described effort fails, the Secretary of War has made arrangements to secure the passage of a general retirement bill to fit such cases. There are just 185 officers out of the total number of 3,820 in the regular army who might be affected by this measure. The bill itself, which has already been forwarded to the chairmen of the two military committees, provides as follows:

"Section 1. That any officer of the regular army now on the active list, who served during the civil war, prior to April 9, 1865, otherwise than as a cadet at the Military Academy, may, by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, be placed upon the retired list of the army with the rank and retired pay of one grade higher than that actually held by him at

the time of his retirement; provided, that this section shall not be construed as creating or reviving any rank not provided for by existing law and shall not apply to any officer whose length of service does not exceed thirty-five years or to any general officer who has been advanced in rank since the 13th day of August, 1898.

"Sec. 2. That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to select from "Sec. 2. That the President of the United States is hereby authorized to select from the officers of the army two major generals on the retired list, and one major general on the retired list, who have rendered distinguished service in independent commands of great responsibility during the recent military operations, and to appoint them, by and with advice and consent of the Senate, to be lieutenant generals on the retired list, with the pay and allowance established by law for officers of that grade on the retired list."

Baptist Ministers' Union.

The Baptist Ministers' Union met at the Metropolitan Baptist Church yesterday at 11:15 a.m., Rev. Randolph V. Peyton, D.D. president, in the chair, and Rev. Geo. W M. Lucas serving as secretary. Devotionexercises were conducted by Rev Aquilla Sayles, assisted by Rev. Wm. H.

Rev. Wm. D. Jarvis spoke in the interest of the Baptist Sunday school union of the District of Columbia. Rev. J. T. Loveing B. D., expressed the thanks of the members of Enon Baptist Church for the as sistance rendered them in the dedicatory service, beginning Sunday, December 8.

Rev. Walter H. Brooks, D. D., addressed the union on the subject of education.

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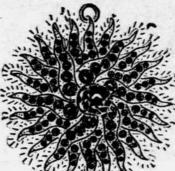
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